exempt from the certification requirements of section 721(c) of the Act.

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§ 73.170 Grape skin extract (enocianina).

- (a) Identity. (1) The color additive grape skin extract (enocianina) is a purplish-red liquid prepared by the aqueous extraction (steeping) of the fresh deseeded marc remaining after grapes have been pressed to produce grape juice or wine. It contains the common components of grape juice; namely, anthocyanins, tartaric acid, tannins, sugars, minerals, etc., but not in the same proportions as found in grape juice. During the steeping process, sulphur dioxide is added and most of the extracted sugars are fermented to alcohol. The extract is concentrated by vacuum evaporation, during which practically all of the alcohol is removed. A small amount of sulphur dioxide may be present.
- (2) Color additive mixtures for food use made with grape skin extract (enocianina) may contain only those diluents listed in this subpart as safe and suitable in color additive mixtures for coloring foods.
- (b) *Specifications*. Grape skin extract (enocianina) shall conform to the following specifications:
- Pesticide residues, not more than permitted in or on grapes by regulations promulgated under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.
- Lead (as Pb), not more than 10 parts per million.
- Arsenic (as As), not more than 1 part per million.
- (c) Uses and restrictions. Grape skin extract (enocianina) may be safely used for the coloring of still and carbonated drinks and ades, beverage bases, and alcoholic beverages subject to the following restrictions:
- (1) It may not be used to color foods for which standards of identity have been promulgated under section 401 of the act unless artificial color is authorized by such standards.
- (2) Its use in alcoholic beverages shall be in accordance with the provisions of parts 4 and 5, title 27 CFR.
- (d) Labeling requirements. The label of the color additive and any mixtures prepared therefrom intended solely or

in part for coloring purposes shall conform to the requirements of §70.25 of this chapter. The common or usual name of the color additive is "grape skin extract" followed, if desired, by "(enocianina)".

(e) Exemption from certification. Certification of this color additive is not necessary for the protection of the public health, and therefore batches thereof are exempt from the certification requirements of section 721(c) of the act.

§73.185 Haematococcus algae meal.

- (a) *Identity*. (1) The color additive haematococcus algae meal consists of the comminuted and dried cells of the alga *Haematococcus pluvialis*.
- (2) Haematococcus algae meal may be added to the fish feed only as a component of a stabilized color additive mixture. Color additive mixtures for fish feed use made with haematococcus algae meal may contain only those diluents that are suitable and are listed in this subpart as safe for use in color additive mixtures for coloring foods.
- (b) Specifications. Haematococcus algae meal shall conform to the following specifications and shall be free from impurities other than those named to the extent that such impurities may be avoided by good manufacturing practice:

Physical state, solid.

Lead, not more than 5 parts per million. Arsenic, not more than 2 parts per million. Mercury, not more than 1 part per million. Heavy metals (as Pb), not more than 10 parts

per million.

Astaxanthin, not less than 1.5 percent.

- (c) Uses and restrictions. Haematococcus algae meal may be safely used in the feed of salmonid fish in accordance with the following prescribed conditions:
- (1) The color additive is used to enhance the pink to orange-red color of the flesh of salmonid fish.
- (2) The quantity of astaxanthin in finished feed, from haematococcus algae meal when used alone or in combination with other astaxanthin color additive sources listed in this part 73, shall not exceed 80 milligrams per kilogram (72 grams per ton) of finished feed.